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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY, AUGUST 13

1. NYT (PAGE 3) "MEMBERS OF CONGRESS WARN SOVIET ON NEW STRAINS." QUOTES BRADEMAs TO EFFECT THAT IF SOVIET UNION DOES NOT ADHERE TO HELSINKI AGREEMENT, DETENTE CAN BECOME MAJOR POLITICAL ISSUE IN 1976 CAMPAIGN; HE HOPES THIS WON'T BE NECESSARY. GREEN CITED MASSIVE GRAIN PURCHASES WITHOUT WARNING, AS WELL AS EMIGRATION, AS ISSUES, ADDING SOVIET THEORY THAT THOSE WHO OPPOSE TRADE NOW WERE AGAINST DETENTE NOT TRUE. SPEAKER ALBERT CHARACTERIZED DISCUSSIONS AS CANDID AND FRIENDLY; THAT SOVIETS INSISTED THERE IS NO JEWISH EMIGRATION PROBLEM, AND THAT SOVIET LEGISLATORS WERE TOLD JACKSON AMENDMENT WOULD NOT BE REPEALED DURING CURRENT SESSION OF CONGRESS. CARTER AND MICHEL INDICATED THAT TRADE SHOULD NOT BE TIED TO EMIGRATION. YATES SAID DELEGATION HAD GIVEN SOVIETS LIST OF SEVERAL HUNDRED NAMES OF JEWS AND FENWICK SAID SHE IS CONFIDENT THEY WILL GET REPLIES. GRAIN SALES AND DISARMAMENT WERE ALSO DISCUSSED. (ALSO SUN, HIGH-LIGHTING FENWICK'S ACTIVITIES.)

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2. SUN (PAGE 4) "KISSINGER DENIES SOLZHENITSYN 'DEAL'",

DATELINED VAIL, COLORADO. SECRETARY FLATLY DENIED THAT PRESIDENT'S INITIAL DECISION NOT TO MEET WITH DISSIDENT SOVIET AUTHOR WAS DUE TO ANY PRIVATE 'DEAL' WITH USSR TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT TO KREMLIN IN EXCHANGE FOR WRITER'S FREEDOM. QUESTION RAISED AS RESULT OF AP DISPATCH FROM ARIZONA QUOTING PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT SECRETARY TO THAT EFFECT. SECRETARY ACKNOWLEDGED HE URGED UNNAMED SOVIET OFFICIALS TO LET SOLZHENITSYN GO ABOUT A MONTH BEFORE LATTER WAS GIVEN PERMISSION TO LEAVE.

3. WP (PAGE 10) IN CONNECTION WITH ANNOUNCEMENT OF THREE-YEAR GRAIN SALE, SECRETARY BUTZ EXPLAINED "IT IS TO PROTECT OUR PROJECTED SALES TO JAPAN AND OTHER REGULAR CUSTOMERS THAT WE ARE TEMPORARILY DELAYING FURTHER SALES TO THE SOVIETS.

4. NYT EDITORIAL "COSTLIER GRAIN". LESSONS OF 1972 NOT ENTIRELY LOST; MR. BUTZ FINALLY PUT A HOLD ON FURTHER PURCHASES BUT STILL EVIDENCES DESIRE TO SELL AS MUCH GRAIN AS POSSIBLE WHILE MINIMIZING IMPORTANCE OF HIGHER PRICES ON THE ECONOMY.

5. CSM EDITORIAL "MR. BUTZ AND THE RUSSIANS."

6. NYT - JAMES RESTON COLUMN "SOVIETS INVOKE HELSINKI."

REFERS TO PRAVDA CLAIM THAT COMMON MARKET COUNTRIES INTERFERING IN PORTUGAL DESPITE HELSINKI OBLIGATIONS. TO HEAR NOTHING ABOUT VIOLATIONS OF HELSINKI PRINCIPLES IN PORTUGAL FROM WASHINGTON IS BAD ENOUGH, BUT TO HEAR IT FROM MOSCOW IS INSOLENT AND INSUFFERABLE. COMMUNISTS HAVE BEEN EXCESSIVE IN THEIR VIOLATION OF HELSINKI PRINCIPLES IN THAT COUNTRY.

7. CSM HAS FEATURE CENTER PAGE ARTICLE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN USSR. KISSINGER

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